

# Work and Volunteer Community Access & Activities Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement

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# Work & Volunteer

In general, Consumers are able to work and volunteer in the community as they choose.

# COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

EXPECTATION	COMPLIANCE ACTION STEP	MEASURABLE OUTCOMES	AGENCY
<b>WORK AND VOLUNTEER</b>			
<b>Providers arrange supports for an individual to work or volunteer in an integrated setting when an individual is interested in working or volunteering.</b>	Educate providers of state and federal expectations.	Statewide education; Webinars, FAQ, Annual Newsletter	DSS
	Change HCBS (ASA) waiver eligibility requirements for earned income	2016 Waiver Renewal Approved by CMS on November 21, 2016	DSS

DSS changed the HCBS waiver requirements for earned income in the October 2016 waiver renewal. The earned income allowance for a consumer residing in an Assisted Living will be \$75.

This will benefit consumers residing in Assisted Livings who work as they will be able to keep up to \$75 in income they earn from their job in addition to a \$60 maintenance needs allowance.

# WORK & VOLUNTEER POLICY EXPECTATIONS

- The Provider will offer alternative meals or activities of daily living arrangements for Consumers choosing to work or volunteer.
- The Provider will arrange transportation or natural supports for Consumers wishing to work or volunteer.
  - Providers are not required to be the sole source of transportation.
- The Provider will facilitate access to materials advertising opportunities to work or volunteer.
- A Consumer may participate in meaningful non-work activities in an integrated community setting for the period of time he/she desires.
- Modifications/Restrictions must be documented in the ASA Person-Centered Care Plan.

# Community Access and Activities

In general, the Provider offers activities in the Setting and also takes steps to educate Consumers about activities in the broader community and encourages and facilitates Consumers' access to these activities consistent with Consumer preferences and needs.

# COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

EXPECTATION	COMPLIANCE ACTION STEP	MEASURABLE OUTCOMES	AGENCY
<b>COMMUNITY ACCESS AND ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>The setting must be integrated in and support full access of Consumers receiving Medicaid HCBS to the greater community, including opportunities to seek employment and work in competitive integrated settings, engage in community life, control personal resources, and receive services in the community, to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS.</b>	Educate providers of state and federal expectations.	Statewide education; Webinars, FAQ, Annual Newsletter	DSS
	All Consumers will be allowed to leave the setting when they choose to participate in community activities.	100% Compliance in Annual Site Reviews	Assisted Living Providers
	All Consumers have access to learn about outside activities and community events.	100% Compliance in Annual Site Reviews	Assisted Living Providers
	A Consumer may schedule activities at his/her convenience and have access to non-group activities in the broader community.	100% Compliance in Annual Site Reviews	Assisted Living Providers
	All Consumers should have access to such things as a television, radio, and leisure activities that interest him/her at the Assisted Living Center.	100% Compliance in Annual Site Reviews	Assisted Living Providers

Providers must support consumer access to the community effective immediately and will be reviewed for compliance by DSS in December 2017. DSS will evaluate level of access for consumers and may identify additional action steps necessary to be fully compliant by March 2019.

# COMMUNITY ACCESS AND ACTIVITIES POLICY EXPECTATIONS

- The Provider will promote participation in outside activities; but is not required to fund participation in outside activities.
- The Provider will arrange or provide non-medical transportation to the community, including natural supports.
  - Providers are not required to be the sole source of transportation.
- The Provider will offer alternative meals or activities of daily living arrangements for Consumers choosing to participate in outside activities and events.
- The Provider will offer activities in the Assisted Living Center.
- Modifications/Restrictions must be documented in the ASA Person-Centered Care Plan.

# Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement

Serves as an Addendum to the SD  
Medicaid Provider Agreement for  
Assisted Living Providers and allows  
you to participate in providing HCBS.

# ASSISTED LIVING ADDENDUM TO THE SD MEDICAID PROVIDER AGREEMENT

- Why is DSS implementing an Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement?
  - CMS requires states to specify how they will ensure continuous compliance with the action steps in the Transition Plan.
  - DSS chose a two-step continuous compliance process:
    1. Providers will attest to compliance with the HCBS Final Rule in an Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement.
    2. DSS will incorporate the provisions of the HCBS Final Rule into an annual review process.

# ASSISTED LIVING ADDENDUM TO THE SD MEDICAID PROVIDER AGREEMENT

- What is an Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement?
  - A document that outlines additional requirements for Assisted Living Providers.
  - A document that formalizes what Assisted Living Providers already do.
- The Addendum has been sent to all SD Medicaid Assisted Living Providers and must be signed and returned by January 15, 2017.

# ASSISTED LIVING ADDENDUM TO THE SD MEDICAID PROVIDER AGREEMENT

- The Assisted Living Addendum to the SD Medicaid Provider Agreement in part, contains:
  - Purpose of the Assisted Living Service
  - Standard Program Definitions and Requirements
  - Compliance with Administrative Rule of South Dakota
  - Compliance with all licensing requirements and other standards required by Federal, State, County, City or Tribal statutes, regulation or ordinance in which the service and/or care is provided
  - Standard Definitions and Program Requirements
  - Compliance with the HCBS Statewide Transition Plan & Action Steps
  - Compliance with the HCBS Settings Final Rule

# QUESTIONS

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